Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the drawing correction.

A separate letter has been sent to the draftsmen.

The Examiner objected to the claims as not being numbered in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.126, particularly the presence of two claims numbered 25. The Examiner also indicated that the first Claim 25 was a duplicate of Claim 27. Therefore, the Examiner rejected Claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being a duplicate of Claim 27. Applicant has deleted the first Claim 25 by amendment. Therefore, the objection to the numbering of the claims has been overcome, as well as the rejection of the first Claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. §101. In view of this, Applicant respectfully submits that the second Claim 25 is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner also rejected Claims 29-35 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended Claim 29 to add a character, which should remove any confusion of meaning in the preamble. Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, has been overcome by the amendments.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112 and §101 have been overcome by the amendments and the remarks and withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

Applicant submits that Claims 1-35 are in condition for allowance and that such action is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted, BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN

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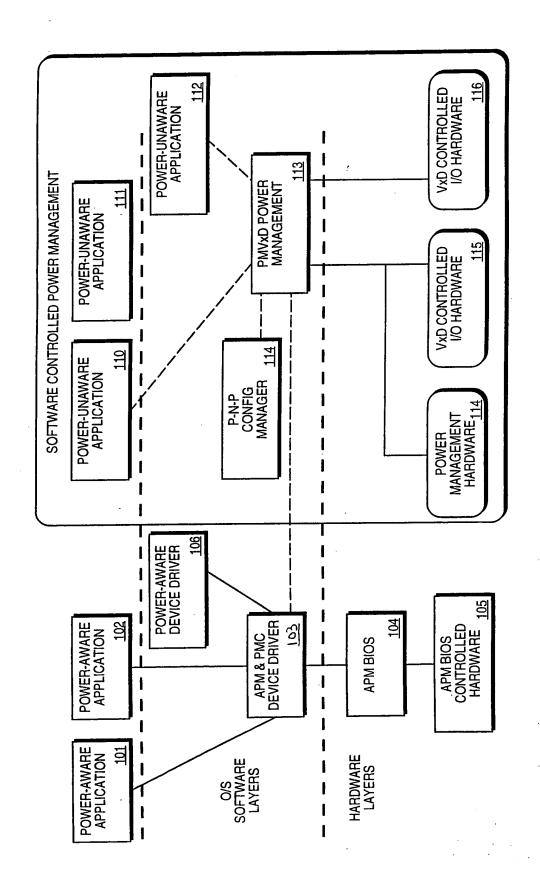


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